



Brownfields 2016 Cleanup Grant Fact Sheet

Thomas, WV

EPA Brownfields Program

EPA's Brownfields Program empowers states, communities, and other stakeholders to work together to prevent, assess, safely clean up, and sustainably reuse brownfields. A brownfield site is real property, the expansion, redevelopment, or reuse of which may be complicated by the presence or potential presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant. In 2002, the Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act was passed to help states and communities around the country cleanup and revitalize brownfields sites. Under this law, EPA provides financial assistance to eligible applicants through four competitive grant programs: assessment grants, revolving loan fund grants, cleanup grants, and job training grants. Additionally, funding support is provided to state and tribal response programs through a separate mechanism.

Cleanup Grant

\$200,000 for hazardous substances

EPA has selected the City of Thomas for a brownfields cleanup grant. Hazardous substances grant funds will be used to clean up the Thomas West Riverfront site located at 1 Riverfront Drive. The site operated from 1884 to 1965 as a railroad bed, coal coking and mining site, and dumping ground for coal mining refuse. It now sits unused as abandoned mine land, and is contaminated with heavy metals and polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons. Grant funds also will be used to support community involvement activities and reuse planning.

Contacts

For further information, including specific grant contacts, additional grant information, brownfields news and events, and publications and links, visit the EPA Brownfields Web site (<http://www.epa.gov/brownfields>).

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